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Sir:

In response to the non-final Action dated May 10, 2007, please reconsider the claims in light of the following Remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-6 and 8-11 stand rejected under 35 USC 103(a) on Fischer (U.S. Patent No. 6,762,852) in view of Takise (U.S. Patent No. 5,353,222). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Neither Fischer nor Takise, alone or in combination, discloses or suggests all of the features recited in claim 1, nor has the Examiner so asserted.

Claim 1 recites "an obtaining unit that obtains multiple image size information regarding a print job ... [and] a comparator that compares all of the image sizes in the print job with the paper